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CATTLE ON FEED INVENTORY DOWN FROM MAY

SIOUX FALLS, June 20, 2003 -- South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 198,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on June 1, according to the USDA's South Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service. The June 1 number is down 7,000 head from a year ago and down 17,000 head from last month.

Placements during May totaled 29,000 head, up 3,000 head from last year but down 2,000 head from April 2003.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 44,000 head, up 10,000 head from a year earlier and up 15,000 head from April 2003.

Other disappearance during May totaled 2,000 head, unchanged from both last year and last month.

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